

# Teaching Series:

## Isaiah 1-9: God's Promises Never Fail

#### PRIMARY AIM

• To grow in our trust in God to deliver on his promises

#### SUBSIDIARY AIMS

- To meditate on the wonderful character of God
- To not despair about the current state of our own world and our fallen leaders, but to cling to the hope that we have in God to bring light and a perfect leader.
- To show that the major prophetic literature in Scripture, while at first glance may seem dark and depressing, is useful for learning about God and his purposes.
- To mark the first phase of the Advent Season, to prepare for Christ's birth at Christmas by also waiting for his return.

#### BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Every year we teach from an Old Testament book. This year we are focusing on Isaiah, chapters 1–9. We chose this section because we haven't studied a major prophet for some time, and Isaiah fits thematically with the first part of Advent. Isaiah is an important book for us to study because it reveals much about God's character (for example, His seriousness about justice in our world). Reflecting on how these prophecies were fulfilled also gives us assurance that God is trustworthy and in control.

### **OUTLINE OF SERIES**

	Date	Title	Reading
1	28 Sep	What's Going On?	Isaiah 1:1-31
2	05 Oct	Highway to Hell or Stairway to Heaven?	Isaiah 2:1-22
	12 Oct	Mission Sunday	
3	19 Oct	River	Isaiah 3:1-4:1-6
4	26 Oct	Never Be the Same Again	Isaiah 5:1-30
5	02 Nov	I Will Go	Isaiah 6:1-13
6	09 Nov	Advent 1: With or Without You	Isaiah 7:1-17
7	16 Nov	Advent 2: Don't Panic	Isaiah 7:18-8:22
8	23 Nov	Advent 3: A King Foretold	Isaiah 9:1-7